

# *NeverTheLess – November 20, 2016*

## **TODAY**

**WELCOME TO ALL**, especially if you are visiting us today. We are delighted to have you here.

**STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:** As of Monday, November 16, we had received 71 pledges totaling \$ 253,094.00.

**ADVENT FAIR** is today, November 20, after 10 am church. Please join us in Brydon Hall for Advent wreath making, crafts for kids to take home, and a shopping opportunity for all children. We are offering a chance for children to pick out a gift for parents and wrap it on the spot. Everyone is invited!

**BRUNSWICK STEW SALE!** If you ordered Brunswick stew, today is your last opportunity to pick up your order. Come to Brydon Hall, near the kitchen.

## **COMING UP**

**Special scheduling notice:** the parish offices will close at 12:30pm on Wednesday, Nov. 23 and remain closed through the Friday, Nov. 25, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

**LARCUM CONFERENCE** St. James the Less, at the invitation of Bp. Ted Gulick, is participating in the annual LARCUM (that stands for Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic, and United Methodist) Conference on December 2-3. Registration information is available at Information central. All are welcome.

## **OUTREACH**

**ASHLAND OPEN DOOR THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION** Ashland Open Door is hosting a community Thanksgiving Celebration on TODAY, 5:00 pm, at Hanover Academy, 117 Frances Rd., Ashland. St. James the Less is one of the hosts, and we have been asked to provide pies or desserts and/or a vegetable tray for approximately 30 guests. Janet Taylor is coordinating our offerings for this community celebration - please call her, 221.9490, to find out how you can best help.

## **ACES AND PPDC**

One of the ministries we do best is outreach. ACES and PPDC have both reached out to us with specific item requests that will help them serve their constituents more effectively.

ACES requests men's gently used shoes and work boots, especially size 10 or larger; adults underwear and thermal underwear; and women's socks (all new items, please). Also children's size clothing, especially boys' underwear. Toiletries are always welcome. And some household items, pots and pans, queen sheet sets, and can openers.

PPDC is getting ready to help their constituents with Thanksgiving, and asks our help in providing the non-perishable traditional foods of the holiday. They offer these suggestions: boxed or bagged stuffing; canned pumpkin; evaporated milk; canned cranberries; canned sweet potatoes; canned ham; boxed dessert mixes; and disposable roasting pans. They would also be happy to accept gift cards for turkey.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP MISSION – TRI-CITIES WORKCAMP** The Tri-Cities Workcamp 2017 info has arrived! There is no more waiting until Jan 2nd to register, we can register starting now! Keeping with tradition, SJTL High Schoolers attend the JULY 16 – 22 (2nd week) of camp. This is a FULL week commitment/retreat! For more information: [www.tcworkcamps.org](http://www.tcworkcamps.org). Dan and Danah Massey will be the chaperones representing SJTL.

## **VESTRY NEWS**

**VESTRY NOMINATIONS** The SJTL Annual Meeting will be on Sunday, February 12, 2017, immediately following 10:00 church. A new Vestry will be elected at that time.

Vestry nominating requirements

Deciding who to nominate to serve on the vestry is not done lightly. It is a process of discernment. The nominating committee listened for the Spirit to guide them in their choice of candidates who have the spiritual gifts to serve the parish in this ministry at this time. The vestry nominating committee, composed of the outgoing vestry class, prayerfully engages in this discernment and invites your participation. These are the qualifications and gifts they look for:

- That the candidate be at least 16 years of age
- That the candidate is known to the treasurer
- That the candidate is a communicant in good standing

- That the candidate is a person of prayer
- That the candidate has an open mind and an open heart
- That the candidate would be coming to serve on the vestry with no personal agenda other than the good of the parish community and the building up of the Kingdom of God
- That the candidate has the time and desire to serve, and consents to be nominated
- That the candidate should have demonstrated a level of commitment to St. James the Less which is appropriate to vestry service.

Members of the nominating committee are: Julie Ericksen, Harry Hassell, Tom Fritter, Steve Pace, Bob May, Tanya Reagan, Jenny Bruce, and Rich Holt.

**VESTRY MEMBERS:** Steve Pace (SW); Bob May (JW); Julie Ericksen; Tom Fritter; Harry Hassell; Jenny Bruce; Rich Holt; Tanya Reagan; Dawn Davis; Richard Grosse; Beth Markwood, Matt Smith

**SJTL COMMITTEES AND CHAIRS:** ADULT FORMATION, Harry Hassell; CHILDREN/YOUTH FORMATION, Aleta Meyer; STEWARDSHIP, Bill Harrison; PARISH LIFE, Steve Pace & Bob May; PASTORAL CARE, Stephanie Werner; FINANCE, Yancey Jones; OUTREACH, Ginny Meyer & Julie Ericksen; FUNDRAISING, Jenny Bruce & Sylvia Spagna; PROPERTY, Tom Fritter; CHENERY, Naomi Pace; COMMUNICATIONS, Dawn Davis; WORSHIP NUTS & BOLTS, Anna Brawley

### **PRAYER LIST – November 20, 2016**

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** PRAY for the clergy and congregations of Christ Church, Cunningham Parish Millwood; Meade Memorial White Post; St. Timothy's Herndon; Calvary Hanover; St. Paul's Hanover

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** PRAY for Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury), Falkland Islands (Parish of) - (Canterbury, Falkland Islands) The Rt Revd Nigel William Stock

**For our parishioners requesting our prayers:** **GUS** Miller, **MAUD** Brumback, **PAT** Funk, **DICK** Harman, **HENRY** Mayer, **ERIN** Yagla, **STEWART** Dishman, **TRUMAN** Parmele, **DON** Jones, **CHARLIE** Thompson, **NED** Stiles, **KIM** Gillis, **DOUG & JOANIE** Burgoyne, **GAYELLEN** Wagner, **TRACY** Hughes; **ALETA** Meyer

**For those serving in the diplomatic corps, the military, and as missionaries:** **KEMPER** Jones, **GREG** Ericksen, **ANDREW** Walton, **ROBERT** Ham, **MATTHEW** Thomas, **PHILIP** Morison, **JAMES** Ashley

**Relatives & Friends:** *(people added this week are in italics)* **MAC** Pace (father of Steve Pace), **ANNE MARIE** Fisher (friend of the Jones family), **TRAVIS** Williams (friend of the SJTL Parish), **PATRICIA** Reppert (aunt of PK Kinser; friend of the Meyer family); **ARLENE** Davis (mother of Dawn Davis); **WILL** Holman (friend of the SJTL Parish), **WILLIAM** Micou (friend of Ron Hopkins), **JOHN** Murphy (father of Erin Murphy), **PATRICK** Morris (friend of Harry & Doris Hassell), **BETH** Mallory (friend of Beth Markwood), **JANE** Markwood (mother of Tim Markwood), **NANCY** Margie (friend of Aleta Meyer), **ANNETTE** Wisniewski (friend of Doris Hassell) **MARY & JIMMY** (family of Tammie & Bob May), **ORIANA** Hargrove (friend of Bobbie & Tom Street), **ALICE** Wallace (mother of Beth Markwood), The Rev. **NANCY** Cox (friend of the Meyer family), **LYNN** Forehand (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **VICKI** Snelgrave (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **MELANIE** Watkins (niece of Bobbie Street), **JANE** Moser (friend of Ron Hopkins), **HAMILTON** family (friends of the Roberts family), , **DAVID** Smith (brother of Mary Helen Williams), **DELORIS** Shubert (friend of the SJTL and Fork Church parishes), **MARK** Smith (friend of Betty Moore), **BETTY FAY** Thomas (sister of Mary Lou Brown), **CAROL** Brown (sister of Bob Brown), **BETH** Vannais (cousin of Bob Brown), **CARLENE** Hockett (friend of Ricki Carson), **EARL** May (brother of Bob May), **GINNY** Walker (niece of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **GORDON** White (friend of Ginny & Karl Meyer), **STEFANI** Schatz (friend of Anna Brawley), **JOE** Duggan (friend of Anna Brawley), **KIM** Cave (friend of Pat Jordan), **DEBBIE** Hill (friend of Pat Jordan), **KIM** (friend of Anna Brawley), **JANET** Cobb (sister of Jim Cobb), **KATHERINE** Anderson (friend of Katherine Tinker), **FERNANDO** Casas (father of Ana Bajcsi), **KATHY** Balducci (friend of Jenny Bruce), **BILL** May (brother of Bob May), **CONNIE** Hoar (sister of John Hoar), **DAPHNE** Haddad (friend of Anna Brawley), **ANITA** Graves (friend of the Shirey's), **BETSY** Owen (sister of former organist's wife, Elaine Hooley, friend of the parish), **WIL** Lawrence (son of Ann & Wilbur Lawrence), **DONNA** Hoffman (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **TOM** Ogden (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **CONNIE** Barney (friend of the Pace family), **LELIA** Moran (*friend of the SJTL parish family*), **PHILLIP** Robertson (*friend of Pat Jordan*)